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TUESDAY, DECEMBER, 23rd, 1886.

The President has appointed ex-Gov. Preston H. Leslie to the Governorship of Montana.

The friends of the late Gen. Hancock have purchased a residence in Washington City for Mrs. Hancock.

The J. M. White, probably the finest steamer that ever plied the Mississippi river, was burned last week. Between forty and sixty lives were lost.

The Capital Printing Company, of Frankfort, has purchased the entire outfit of the late Kentucky Yeoman, and will change the name of their paper to Capital-Yeoman.

The motion made in the House last Saturday to go into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Morrison Tariff Bill, was defeated by a vote of 145 to 149. Six Republicans voted in the affirmative, and twenty-four alleged Democrats in the negative.

The Senate has passed the bill to repeal the tenure-of-office Act, and it is thought there is no doubt but the House will readily agree to it. For the benefit of any one who may not be acquainted with the provisions of this law, we will add that it fixed the term of four years for all President's appointees. This will greatly aid Cleveland in the work of "turning the rascals out."

"Died while reading a newspaper," says a recent paragraph. On investigation it was found he had never paid his subscription. It is a dangerous thing to neglect so important a matter.—Circus Advance.

Dr. Freiderich, editor of the Swiss-American Gazette, New York, is much pleased with the condition of the Swiss colonies in Laurel and other counties in Kentucky. He is convinced, after a careful investigation, that the best thing Swiss farmers could do would be to sell their farms in the old country and invest the proceeds in Kentucky land. He will urge his countrymen to emigrate to Kentucky.—Capitol.

The Republican party will continue in power in the Ninth District so long as the Mugwumps control the Federal appointments. Col. Baldwin, who did all he could to elect the present Republican Congressman, controls all the appointments in the district. We hope President Cleveland will not be censured for this defeat. The gentlemen who represent this State in Congress and recommend such persons to the President for appointment, are responsible for much of the disaffection in Kentucky. The Republicans and Mugwumps have more influence in some of the districts than Democrats, and for this reason there is no enthusiasm in the party. This is what is called general apathy.—Western Argus.

EDMONDS' BRANCH.
B. F. Curnutt, of Wayne Co., W. Va., spent a few days with friends and relatives here last week.

The most important event of the times was the close of G. B. Carter's school at this place on the 18th inst.

The following was the programme which was strictly adhered to:

From 9 to 11:40 o'clock a.m. an old fashioned spelling match, in which all present took part. Then a candy treat by the teacher, in which all had plenty.

Intermission.

School convened at one o'clock p.m. Singing by the school which was perfectly delightful. The school then produced declamations, dialogues and short readings that added to the tenor-instructive and interesting.

Supper.

I may say just here that much credit is due the teacher for the way in which he has labored in the drilling of the children in the exercises.

Then an oration by Dr. F. Curnutt, subject Eloquence and its power.

Devotional exercises by Wm. Bently and Landon Carter.

Then the valedictory address by the teacher, which was both sublime and instructive. He spoke first to the patrons, then to the young men of the country, and last to the children who had been his care for five months. His address touched "Physical Education," and then a farewell to all, as he intends starting away to school shortly. We regret very much to lose him from our midst as he is an excellent young man. But may he go and accumulate more of the knowledge which is in store for the human family, and may success ever crown his efforts; for his zealous and energetic manner of teaching the young idea to shoot is worthy of success, anywhere his lot may be cast.

COUNTRY GREENHORN,

Lines on a Moth.

Oh little moth, that fluttered in the light,
On thy outspread wings of palest grey,
So delicate they scarcely can betray
Thy presence to my dull, maddled sight.
How strange, how great, the wondrous
mystery,
That safely guides thy wand'ring lonely
way;
Not less than that which in the purple
night
Lights the white stars along the Milky
Way.

For our illid eyes that cannot see by day,
The shining lights of those far distant suns
Flashing their glittering trail of pale,
blue fire
Along the vault of heaven, because that
nigher
Our own sun's light across our vision
runs;

And yet like pearls strung on a golden
wire,

I see in those swift wings that never tire,
A purpose strange as process of the suns!

I hold thee, little moth, beneath the fire
Of a white light,—and now my eyes' de-
sire

Is answered, and a sudden, magic change
Flash'd in glory on my ravished sight;
A network of the lace, all woven with
light.

Thy wings' pale grey—and colors soft
and strange
Shine on their golden edges, like the
bright

Still rays of sunlight through a mist of
white.

Farewell, little moth, thy swiftly range
Of the wide air is free again. The light
is thine, as mine. Fly on by that same
Might

Upfield, that guides thy own its lonely
way;

The God who made the stars, with equal
care

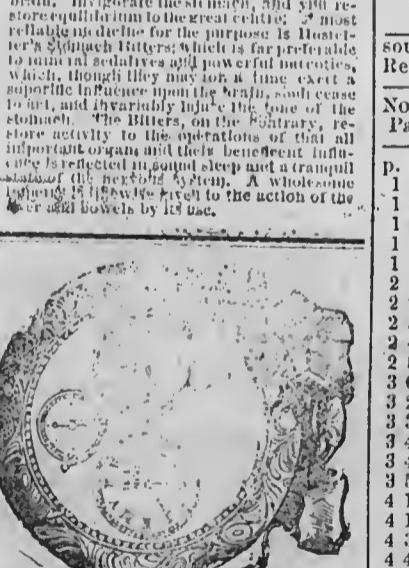
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To shelter thee. For this fill shadows are,
Fly on again, into the golden day!

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The Parent of Insomnia.

The parent of insomnia or wakefulness is in nine cases out of ten the empty stomach. Good digestion gives solid sleep, indigestion interferes with it. The brain and stomach sympathize. One of the prominent symptoms of a weak state of the gastric organs is disturbed sleep. For the purpose of restoring equilibrium to the brain, the best method is to eat a hearty dinner, but it is far preferable to small sedatives, and now and then, which, though they may not at once exert a superior influence upon the brain, soon cease to act, and invariably injure the tone of the stomach. The heart, on the contrary, restores activity to the operations of the most important organ and their beneficial influence is reflected in sound sleep and a tranquil mind and nervous system. A wholesome appetite is essential to the action of the liver and bowels by its due.



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A Reminiscence.

(Continued from page 1.)

Among the numerous callers with whom the President shook hands last week was Elias Polk, a reminiscence of nearly half a century. Elling bears the surname of President Polk, and was the body servant of the distinguished Tennesseean when an occupant of the White House from 1845 to 1849. He is quite proud in being able to say that he has seen every President from John Quincy Adams, inclusive, down to Cleveland. He came here from Nashville expressly to be able to keep his line intact, and was heartily greeted by Mr. Cleveland. Polk calls the President "a Democrat of the old school," and takes a special interest in him for this reason. He was honored by safe conduct over the White House, and when he stopped before the picture of his former master and present mistress, he was visibly affected, for all the surroundings vividly revived the days when the learned and patriotic President was the Chief Executive. Now the burden of 81 years rest upon his shoulders, and the swift flying time diminishes the old man that he must follow with theinevitable sensations of the world. He noted numerous changes, and the venerable darky, in his plain way, touched many a sympathetic and responsive cord, as he spoke of the golden days long since swept into eternity.

by the swift stepping successors. He speaks with great tenderness and pride of Mrs. Polk, who is now eighty-four years of age, and getting so feeble that she is very fond of seclusion, and prefers not to be disturbed unless by very dear and intimate friends. This interesting and venerable relic of President Polk is still visited annually by the Tennessee Legislature in a body. Her pure presence and noble associations are a hallowed shrine which inspires the noblest, chanciest, and most patriotic impulses.

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BIG SANDY NEWS

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Go to J. A. Hughes for Salt at \$1.00 per barrel.

G. S. Bentin, Cincinnati, Ohio, was here Monday.

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Geo. Thorberry spent Sunday last in Catlettsburg.

Take a look at Wm. Remond's stock of candies.

Frank Henderson, of Ashland, spent Sunday here.

Go to J. A. Hughes for shawls, hose, bonnets, etc.

Joe Mitchell, of Catlettsburg, was in Louisa, Saturday.

Tuesday last was pay-day at the Peach Orchard mines.

We noticed Capt. T. D. Mardum on our streets Monday.

Col. L. Rigdon passed up on the morning train Tuesday.

Miss Mary Burns is at home spending the holidays.

Go to J. A. Hughes for your Christmas presents.

Mrs. J. M. Lewis, of Huntington, is visiting relatives here.

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Who will be the first to come into our saloon with a full fledged turkey for the editors' Christmas dinner?

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Dr. F. W. Weis has removed his drug store from the old hotel building into the large brick, two doors below the Post Office.

The young gentlemen of Louisa will give a hop next Tuesday evening. The services of the Ashland string band have been procured.

Remember, that if you come in and give us a dollar for your subscription for 1887 we will present you with a nice book worth 25cts.

"I would no more do without Dr. Sellers' Liver Pills" in my house" says a neighbor, "than flour. They always cure headache, constipation, losses two of its valued members.

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[Special Correspondence Manufacturers' Record.]

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Fred Frank, a student at the A. & M. College, Lexington, Ky., is home for the holidays. "Fritz" is a good looking, gentlemanly little fellow, the envy of the boys in his short uniform, and the admiration of the lasses.

The M. E. Church South gave a mite at Mr. C. H. Burgess' Tuesday night. The contents of the bottle which has been on exhibition at the Post Office for some time were counted and it was found that Mr. C. D. Gifford had guessed the nearest to the number, and was therefore entitled to the quilt.

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connection between the mines and the furnaces, and to bring to these furnaces whatever fuel and ore they may need.

No railroad accompaniment is needed to prove that the earnings of the road which has this traffic will be enormous, and that too, without estimating receipts from any other business than that furnished by the blast furnaces. That there will be more easy to see. Cannel and split coals, marble, lumber and farm products will help to swell the volume of freights. Sparsely settled as is the back country now, its exports reach a considerable figure. A statement recently prepared for the National Bureau of Statistics gives in detail the value of all merchandise carried from this country by boats on the Big Sandy from July 1st, 1885, to July 1st, 1886, the total being \$2,086,000, and this does not include what passed out by railroad. From this should be deducted the fares paid by steamboat passengers, \$3,527.50—leaving the total exports at \$2,881,462.50. The weight of this miscellaneous freight was 2,660 tons—logs, lumber, coal and live stock not being included. Among the most valuable of the foregoing were feathers, worth \$44,934; ginseng, \$3,514; 5,163 barrels of sorghum syrup, worth \$41,344; wool (580,440 pounds) worth \$179,582, and 4,000 cases of eggs, worth \$18,500. Timber and lumber are rafted down stream. Among the logs were 178,000 poplars, valued at \$77,463, and 15,532 black walnut, worth 273,376 dollars. Of lumber there were 1,457,500 feet of poplar and 6,940,000 oak staves. The live stock included 4,284 head of cattle, 500 chickens, 3,927 hogs, 1,768 sheep, besides horses, mules, turkeys, ducks and geese. These exports, taken from a list of nearly three-score articles, show very fairly what the agriculture and industries of that section are, and also what they may be when the country is opened up to settlement and its various resources are developed.

There is no possibility of more than one road ever being constructed if following the route on the Ohio, via Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago. Railroads will follow, for the weak of the Cumberland Mountains and the emigration of the country on both sides of them will make it impossible to build a parallel. Neither will this road be compelled to haul long trains of empty cars from Ashland back to Cranberry, to the same that carry ore and coke down to Ashland will be filled with fuel for the blast furnaces at the limestone beds and the hematite mines of Burke county, N. C., or for the consumers all along the line between the Tennessee border and Charleston. Looking at the flour business of this road from blimber standpoints I can see nothing to prevent it from becoming the greatest flour carrier of the whole Southern country.

The Ashland furnaces lay blast furnaces on a low grade ore, from which they make a soft pig iron that is put to the same use as the Scotch pig. A singular proof of the great need they have of the Cranberry ore is furnished by the Norton Iron Works, of Ashland: This company has a paid up capital of \$750,000. It operates a blast furnace, rolling mill, nail mill, keg factory, lead candle, employing about 700 men. It has a furnace 30x18 feet, and four Whitehot hot blast stoves each 50x16 feet. It makes 15,000 tons of iron annually, consuming 30,000 tons of ore and 50,000 tons of coal. All the while it buys iron from Mountain pig from Missouri or its neighborhood, and sells its own pig to manufacturers elsewhere. Mr. John Russell, president, and Mr. D. B. Meacham, secretary of this company, both told your correspondents that as soon as there was a certainty of getting the Cranberry ore they would erect a Bessemer steel plant and would double their present capacity. Mr. John Means, president of the Ashland Coal & Railroad Company, made a similar statement. His company has a paid up capital of \$1,491,500. It operates a railroad, a blast furnace and a coal mine. It has one furnace stack 62x16 feet, and is erecting another of the same dimensions. It has four Whitehot hot blast stoves, each 52x16 feet, and is building three more. "Give this district Cranberry ore and coke as soon as you can," said Mr. D. Pittman, Jr., superintendent of this company, "and you will have to make a double track at once to keep pace with the increase of the Hanging Rock demands."

The figures given in the foregoing are but a fraction of what this section would consume. If it could get the iron and coke, when iron commanded high prices the blast furnaces drew their supply from Marietta, Lake Superior, 350 miles away. Since cheap production, caused by the establishment of furnaces in Tennessee and Alabama and the use of natural gas elsewhere, the majority have been compelled to suspend operations, and their plants, costing millions of dollars, have been idle. These furnaces, numbering 37 stacks, when running at their full capacity, produce 2,335 tons of pig daily, which, added to Ashland and Ironon output, makes a total of 2,995 tons of pig, or for 300 days the enormous production of 898,500 tons. The ore supply for these 40 stacks for a year, would be 1,707,000 tons, and the coke 1,123,000 tons, the whole requiring 24½ trains of twenty cars daily for three hundred days. Besides, the above are a large number of charcoal furnaces, for which we could not get an estimate. These are not mythical or guess figures; they represent the actual condition and needs of the furnaces.

The Charleston, Clifton & Chester Co. has purchased the Chataaroa railway and has a force of men employed on this 20-mile extension. As soon as 10 miles of this are completed an immense traffic will begin. This 20-mile extension will pass by beds of rich hematite ores and through the nest of the cannel coal fields. The steel rails to be laid are of the

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